



Questions and Answers about the Dynamic Sign System

Q. How will I know it is safe to proceed into the intersection?

A. The system is intended to indicate when it is **not** safe to proceed. As with all intersections, the decision of when it is safe to proceed is the sole responsibility of the driver. This system is designed to aid in that decision, but it does not substitute for the drivers best judgment. After the 2 second start up, the car icons will either flash to indicate the direction of approaching vehicles, or the icons will turn off to indicate that the system does not detect approaching vehicles.

Q. What if the vehicle on Route 201A is speeding?

A. The system will detect the approaching vehicle regardless of its speed and will immediately light the appropriate car image(s). A vehicle speeding on Route 201A & 8 may result in the vehicle passing through the intersection before the car icon stops flashing, but the vehicle cannot pass the intersection before the light is activated. It is **very important** to wait for the lights to go off before proceeding, as another vehicle could be approaching.

Q. What if a vehicle on Route 201A is going very slow?

A. The car image(s) on the sign remain illuminated for the length of time required for an approaching vehicle to reach the intersection at the posted speed limit. It is possible that a slow moving vehicle may not clear the intersection before the car icons stop flashing, but the slow speed that the vehicle is traveling should allow both drivers sufficient time to react and take appropriate collision avoidance measures. **Always proceed with caution.**

Q. Will the system detect all vehicles?

A. While this system should detect all vehicles, it is possible that some bicycles and motorcycles may not always be detected.

Q. What if the system is not working?

A. If the system is not working, either the car icons will not light steadily when a vehicle stops at the intersection, or the icons will flash continuously in an alternating fashion. In either case the driver should be aware of the malfunction and proceed through the intersection using his or her best judgment. If the system is not operating correctly, contact the Town Office (624-2252). The Town Office will check the system and then contact MDOT if a repair is needed.

Comments:

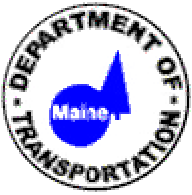
Since this sign is the first of its kind in Maine, your comments are very important to us. Please write your comments in the space provided on the other side of this sheet, detach and send them to us in the postage paid envelope.

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Facts about the new Route 201A intersection with Sophie May Lane and River Road in Norridgewock

Upon coming to a **COMPLETE STOP**:

- Both car images light steadily for 2 seconds to indicate the system is operating properly
- If a vehicle is approaching the corresponding car image will flash on and off for 9 seconds
- If no traffic is approaching both cars will be unlit

If more than one vehicle is waiting at the stop sign, the 2-second phase is skipped after the first vehicle.

It is important to wait the entire time that either or both cars are lit. Even though traffic has passed, there may be more oncoming vehicles.



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Did the Dynamic Sign System operate as described?

Did you immediately understand how to use the Dynamic Sign?

Do you think this sign will help improve safety at this intersection?

Is the sign visible at all times of the day?

Do you think people will use this sign effectively?

Do you think signs like this should be used at other intersections?

Comments:
